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Claims 6-31 are pending in this divisional application.

A three way Restriction is issued under 35 USC 121 :

I. Claims 6-14, drawn to a process of preparation,

II. Claims 15-30, drawn to compositions, and

III. Claim 31, drawn to a compound.

Applicants hereby elect with traverse Group I, claims 6-14, aimed at a process for preparation.

Claim 31 is aimed at a specific intermediate compound of the present process (a present compound of formula V).

The Examiner is kindly requested to consider rejoining Group III with Group I. Applicants believe searching for a specific intermediate in the claimed process of Group I would not be overly burdensome. The help of the Examiner in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Applicants further elect with traverse as a single disclosed specie, the compound 5-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)-2-(2-hydroxy-3- $\alpha$ -cumyl-5-tert-octylphenyl)-2H-benzotriazole, the compound prepared according to the present process in working Examples 2 and 5. The bromo intermediate compound of Claim 31 is employed in these Examples.

Applicants submit that the present elections constitute a complete response to the Restriction Requirement.

Applicants respectfully await consideration of the present claims on their merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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